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Dear Hal:

By the time you receive my letter together with all the enclosures I should either be enroute to Washington or be there. As you know the COPA event will be taking place at the Sheraton Washington Hotel from October 7 to 10. I will have a room there from October 6 to 11.

If I did not already mention it the COPA people have me down as a speaker and my topic will be:"JFK: The first shot was not the shot that missed." During the time I will be at the conference I hope to get in touch with you. There may be a possibility that I could visit you and the only date I can see available would be October 11. I'll let you know, of course, if this can be done.

I see that the October 3, 1994 issue of the "Nation" which features an excellent (and, indeed, prophetic) article on Haiti by Allen Nairn also contains ads featuring these 3 ignoble men: North, Dole and Posner. Well, any magazine presenting these three gentlemen can't be all bad, can it?!

The Posner ad in the "Nation" is, of course, his paperback edition supposedly "updated and expanded". It makes me wonder, as an amateur astronomer, whether the universe can "expand" any more? Or faster? Which is more to the point since lately certain astronomers have found evidence that the universe is smaller than they once thought and not moving as rapidly as believed. You can be sure that in the posnerian universe events are moving much faster than the facts can give a true reading. Just read the new glowing reviews that praise him to the heavens!

So much for the current thing on Posner. I should mention that in the enclosures you'll see article referring to Posner.

I want to thank you for sending me the Rankin file on Oswald as a possible agent. I can use it but what I really wanted was the transcript (complete) part of which you printed in Whitewash 4. But there is no urgency for me now so I guess I'll mention this in a future letter. I do, however, appreciate what you did send.

I finally received copies of my book reviews of your "Case Open" and am enclosing the three with the enclosures. The three copies are from :(1) "Dallas '63" (an English publication); (2) "The Investigator" and (3) "Socialist Action". On the latter I sent you the whole newspaper as it has some good info on Cuba and other matters.

I did have a fourth article on your book which was to appear in "Back Channels" but it still hasn't reached me and is woefully late but when I do get it I will definitely send you a copy.

Please note the Alan Houston book review on Posner's book. This is the one I mentioned in a previous letter that the New York Review of Books rejected when it was submitted to them.

I sent you a copy of a letter I received from a private investigator, Marc Smith, who has some interesting things to say about mercury bullets. Do you find this at all credible?

I also enclosed Alexander Cockburn's article on Oswald as lone assassin which appeared in the "New Statesman" of November 19, 1993. From it [redacted] it would appear that Alex is something [redacted] of a left-wing Ed Butler. Note that he replays the alleged speech by Castro where he supposedly stated that dire consequences would occur for the leaders of the U.S. if they went around killing off Cuban leaders. It is clear to me that Cockburn never read your "Oswald in New Orleans" nor steeped himself to any depth in research on [redacted] this case.

You had wondered in your last letter why Aguilar may not have been in touch with you, lately. Part of it may be that his practice may prevent him and part of it his association with COPA. He is a busy man. I know he has the highest regard for you because on my TV interview of him on the 9/15/94 show he mentioned you several times once in connection with Tague and in another mention where he [redacted] stated that you "knew too much about the [redacted] case"(I think this latter point was a reference to those people who are late comers to the case and are not thoroughly familiar with the tons of data required to make any accurate assessments).

By the way on that 9/15/94 Aguilar program one person called in and said he wanted to know how to acquire [redacted] your "Case Open". I mentioned a few book [redacted] stores and he asked me what I could do about having you on. I told the caller that I did have you on in the August program.

I know we can do another program with you in the future because, as you can plainly see, there [redacted] would be interest but we will consider this in a future letter.

I guess I will close now and I do hope I can get to call or see you when I'm out there.

Best,

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